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Re: Access to Denver TV for La Plata & Montezuma Counties

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to strenuously complain that for years I have been forced to watch New Mexico TV resulting in never knowing what is going on in my own state of Colorado. It is quite clear that this entire TV access is based upon advertising markets and so we belong to the Albuquerque DMA. My husband and I don't shop AT ALL in Albuquerque and we are not interested in seeing their political campaign ads. Here are the reasons why this should be changed immediately:

- 1) The fact that **we do not receive emergency broadcasts** for our own state is outrageous and speaks to sheer money interests dominating over public safety.
- 2) We never know **what is going on during political elections** – from seeing campaign ads for Colorado candidates to debates to various events and election night results.
- 3) I would prefer to receive **public television from Denver** since historical programs cover Colorado State.
- 4) Of course, **sporting events** would also be nice for all our guys.

I am part of the Southwest Red Cross and an historical society member of the Victorian Aide Society, and therefore I have a strong interest in emergency broadcasts and public TV historical programs. Lastly, I am very involved in political campaigns and want to know all that is going on statewide during an election season.

Therefore, I am requesting that our orphaned counties FINALLY receive Denver TV. Please change our status accordingly so we finally can participate in Colorado television.

Thank you for your cooperation in making this happen

Sincerely

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